

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF
DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. **00V-230** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **August 17, 2000**

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MANUFACTURER: **Blue Bird Body Company**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Mr. Bill Coleman, Recall Administrator**

FAX: **(912) 822-2467**

SUBJECT: **6,914 Blue Bird 1999-2000 All American and TC2000 school and transit buses, Q Bus and Commercial Series buses equipped with electronic engines and Felsted electronic accelerator pedals, manufactured from February 2, 1999 through August 4, 2000. The return springs can break on the accelerator pedals that are equipped with stainless steel or electroplated music wire return springs. Blue Bird Recall No. R00EA.**

This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

In accordance with Part 577, amended July 7, 1995, a draft owner notification letter must be submitted for review prior to mailing.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin September 25, 2000. Since this is so close to the end of the quarter, the first quarterly report will be due by January 30, 2001.

If you have any questions, please call:



Patricia Wallace, Recall Analyst on (202) 366-5232
or Jonathan White, Chief on (202) 366-5226
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Recall Analysis Division

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Assigned Recall No. **00V-230.002** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Part 573 Report Date: **August 29, 2000**

MANUFACTURER: **Freightliner Corporation**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Mr. Gary W. Rossow**

FAX: **(503) 735-6800**

SUBJECT: **5,032 Freightliner 1997-2000 FCCC model XC chassis equipped with Caterpillar engines and manufactured from December 1997 through August 4, 2000. Accelerator return springs are breaking in use on electronic foot pedals that are equipped either with: (1) stainless steel springs due to fatigue; or (2) music wire springs electroplated with yellow zinc chromate due to arcing during the electroplating. Freightliner Campaign No. FL-271**

This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

In accordance with Part 577, amended July 7, 1995, a draft owner notification letter must be submitted for review prior to mailing.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. **As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin October 11, 2000.** Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by January 30, 2001.

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Mr. Gary W. Rossow
Director, Government Technical Affairs
Freightliner Corporation
4747 N. Channel Avenue
Portland, OR 97217

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Dear Mr. Rossow:

We have reviewed Freightliner Corporation's (Freightliner) Defect Information Report dated August 29, 2000, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 5,032 Freightliner 1997-2000 FCCC model XC chassis equipped with Caterpillar engines and manufactured from December 1997 through August 4, 2000. Accelerator return springs are breaking in use on electronic foot pedals that are equipped either with: (1) stainless steel springs due to fatigue; or (2) music wire springs electroplated with yellow zinc chromate due to arcing during the electroplating. The assigned recall identification number for this recall is 00V-230.002 (*Freightliner Campaign No. FL-271*).

Freightliner is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership.

Quarterly Status Reports

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter **in which notification to purchasers occurs.** *As stated in your report, owner notification began October 11, 2000.* Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by January 30, 2001.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

Jonathan D. White, Chief
Recall Analysis Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Safety Assurance

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Assigned Recall No. 00V-230,003 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Part 573 Report Date: **September 27 and October 17, 2000**

MANUFACTURER: **Mack Trucks, Inc.**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Ms. D. L. Murphy**

FAX: **(610) 709-3800**

SUBJECT: **45,866 Mack 1999-2000 CH, CL, CX, DM, LE, MR, RB, and RD Class 8 trucks equipped with Felsted throttle pedals and manufactured from February 1, 1999 through August 31, 2000. Accelerator return springs are breaking in use on electronic foot pedals that are equipped either with: (1) stainless steel springs due to fatigue; or (2) music wire springs electroplated with yellow zinc chromate due to arcing during the electroplating. Mack Campaign No. SCQ261**


This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

We have reviewed your draft owner/dealer notification letters and they meet the requirements of Part 577.

Please let us know an estimated owner notification date.

Notes: Also please change the NHTSA toll-free number to **1-888-327-4236**. Also please remove the telephone number for the Washington, DC area. This number is no longer a working number.

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